

Art and Architectural Review Board
Minutes
April 6, 2018
The Branch Museum
2501 Monument Ave, Richmond, VA 23220

1.0 ADMINISTRATION

- 10:00am 1.1 **CALL TO ORDER**
Sandy Bond, Calder Loth, Bob Mills, Burt Pinnock, Donna Tuten, Helen Wilson
- 1.2 **PUBLIC COMMENT**
AARB Meetings are open for public comment. Rules for public comment can be obtained from the Director, Division of Engineering and Buildings.
- 1.3 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
Motion: Mr. Pinnock
Second: Ms. Wilson
Recommend Approval of Minutes from March 2, 2018 meeting
- 1.4 **OTHER BUSINESS**

2.0 CONSENT AGENDA

- 10:10am 2.1 **VIMS – Demolition – Hoxton Hall**
- 2.2 **GMU– Demolition – Robinson Hall A & B**
- 2.3 **VDOT – Bus Shelter**
This bus shelter has been installed at the secondary entrance into the Waltonwood Ashburn Retirement Community.
- 2.4 **DGS – Division of Consolidate Laboratory Services – Exterior Envelope & Miscellaneous Repairs**
Project involves the recladding of the exterior brick veneer to address uncontrolled air and water leakage into critical laboratory environments. The proposed solution is to repair all exterior building joints including joints within the brick veneer as well as joints between brick veneer and other exterior materials (storefront and precast concrete. Once the brick joints are repaired, the entire brick surface will be covered with an air and water barrier membrane to seal the veneer. The air and water barrier will be covered with a rain screen consisting of cement-fiber panels to protect the membrane. The aesthetic goal of this project is to maintain as much as possible the architectural composition of the existing building. Although a complete removal and replacement of the brick veneer is not practical, the fiber cement panels would be selected for a color that is as close as possible to the original brick veneer. Additionally, panel configurations and joint layout will follow the existing building configuration.

2.5 Va Tech – English Field – Replacement of Union Park Scoreboard

The Virginia Tech Department of Athletics is replacing its existing baseball scoreboard with a larger, video-equipped model. The new scoreboard measures approximately 36-feet wide by 34-feet tall. This project enhances the game-time experience by providing attendees with video-enhanced playback and scorekeeping functionality. The reverse side of the scoreboard, facing the street, will be treated with a graphics package displaying Virginia Tech and sponsor branding.

2.6 UVA – Thornton Hall Cleanroom Renovation

This project takes direction from the existing structure and only modifies two windows to provide access for mechanical systems. Any exterior work as a result will match the existing structure. Addition of air handlers and exhaust systems in the exterior service yard will be screened from view. The east side of Thornton provides the bulk of the service access to the building, with the primary public access to the north and west.

2.7 UVA – Monroe Hall Room Exterior Access

The proposal converts an existing window into a door and includes constructing a set of exterior masonry clad stairs. This second exit will permit an increase in occupancy of the room to complement the College of Arts and Science's curriculum changes.

2.8 DMME – Dept of Forestry Headquarters, Roof Mounted Solar Energy Installation

DMME, on behalf of the DOF, proposes to have installed an approximately 120 kilowatt solar energy installation on the south facing roof of the facility. The project will involve installing solar panels on frames attached to the existing standing seam metal roof. No surrounding buildings will be impacted visually or otherwise.

2.9 DMME – Virginia Public Safety Training Center – Ground Mounted Solar Energy Installation

DMME, on behalf of the VPSTC, proposes to have installed an approximately 300 kilowatt solar energy installation in an approximately 3.2 acre overgrown field. The project will involve installing solar panels on frames attached to steel posts piled into the ground. No surrounding buildings will be impacted visually or otherwise.

2.10 DMME – DOC Haynesville Correction Facility – Ground Mounted Solar Energy Installation

DMME, on behalf of the DOC, proposes to install a 1,000 kilowatt solar energy installation outside the security perimeter fence of the facility. The project will

involve installing solar panels on frames attached to steel posts piled into the ground. No surrounding buildings will be impacted visually or otherwise.

Motion: Mr. Bond

Second: Mr. Mills

Approval of consent items 2.1 through 2.10. Subject to DHR approval if required.

***Ms. Wilson recused from items 2.6 and 2.7**

3.0 PROJECT REVIEWS

3.1 UVA – Lawn Accessibility

Previously presented to the board on November 17, 2017 with the following comments:

Consider minimizing proposed wall height and minimizing number of vertical railings on ramp. Return with further developed design and additional perspective view of the proposed ramps from the North Lawn.

Agency response to Board comments:

Team will present further developed design and materials and include an additional perspective view as requested. Wall heights have been minimized to the extent possible given adjacent grades and required ramp slopes. Handrail posts will be the minimum required to satisfy impact requirements.

Comments: Consider sloping brick cap to match slope of adjacent lawn on Pavilion V ramp. Current stair landing has three steps. Considering reducing number of steps on wall two.

Motion: Mr. Mills

Second: Ms. Tuten

Approved as submitted.

***Ms. Wilson recused**

3.2 NSU - New Residential Facility

Previously presented to the board on March 2, 2018 with the following comments: The board did not vote on this project*

The board questioned the 'bowtie' massing on the site in particular the orientation and placement of the building on the site. The board requested that the design team reconsider how the building meets the sky and the ground. The board commented that the building's architecture appeared institutional and requested that the design have a more distinct student housing appearance. The board requested that more window definition and detail were required. The board commented that the proposed landscape should define the edges of the project.

Agency response to Board comments:

Agency resubmitted project with additional information.

Comments: Further evaluate rhythm, pattern, size and colors of composite panels being proposed on the buildings and provide alternates for consideration.

Motion: Mr. Pinnock

Second: Ms. Wilson

Conceptual approval. Agency to submit future developed building design,

landscape plans, materials for final approval. Provide pictures of other buildings in the area to assist in understand context.

*Mr. Mills recused.

4.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Next AARB Meeting is Friday, May 4, 2018.

5.0 MEETING ADJOURNED

Minutes Approved as AARB

Advice and Counsel:

 5/4/18
Date

Robert S. Mills, FAIA, CID

Chairman

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Approved as the

Governor's Designee:

 5/10/18
Date

Joseph Damico

Director

Department of General Services